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### TALC TASK FORCE ON ROUND ROBIN TESTING

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A meeting of the CTFA Task Force on Round Robin Testing was held on Tuesday, December 6, 1977 at CTFA offices in Washington, D.C. Those in attendance were:

John P. Schelz, Johnson & Johnson Baby Products CHAIRMAN  
A.M. Aarvey, R.T. Vanderbilt  
G.J. Gill, Cyprus Industrial Minerals  
H.G. Lee, Johnson & Johnson  
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George Sandland, Bristol Myers Products  
Ian Stewart, McCrone Association, Inc  
C.S. Thompson, R.T. Vanderbilt  
Clifton Wilson, FDA  
Norman Estrin, CTFA

Dr. Schelz opened the meeting with a detailed discussion of the results of the Round Robin analyses. Dr. Schelz recommended the following modifications of method J4-1.

Fibrous Tremolite - 0.9 - 1.5% by WT  
Massive Tremolite - 0.2 - 0.5% by WT  
Anthophyllite - 2 - 4% by WT

Representatives of Cyprus Industrial Minerals indicated they may be able to supply a standard sample of fibrous tremolite for CTFA. When the sample is received it can be checked against the CTFA method.

Dr. Schelz said that Part II of the Method will also be revised with consideration of some suggestions from Dr. Stewart.

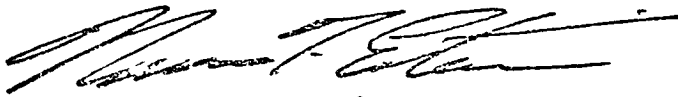
Mt. Sinai Laboratory participation - Dr. Schelz reported the Mt. Sinai results were sent to him but that a different methodology was used. Mt. Sinai has not yet indicated when they expect to have the analyses done by the CTFA Method. That being the case, Dr. Schelz declined joint presentation of results by CTFA and Mt. Sinai Laboratory

Dr. Rohl of Mt. Sinai Laboratories updated results of his work in 1975 in which 73 samples were questioned. In the update, two of the ten samples were found clean.

CTFA response to NIOSH: Dr. Estrin did not permit discussion of this topic since it was not relevant to the purposes of the Task Force meeting. It was agreed that this should be pursued by the Talc Subcommittee on a timely basis.

There was a brief discussion of new literature and instrumentation. Both Jack Schelz, George Sandland and the Task Force were thanked for a job well done.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.



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